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TAGS: PFOR SF WA

SUBJ: SELF- GOVERNMENT FOR OWAMBO

REF: STATE 086 512

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WIDE OPEN TO CRITICISM IT IMPLEMENTING HOME LANDS POLICY AND  
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